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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated April 3, 2003, which has a response due date of July 3, 2003. This Amendment, therefore, is timely filed.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-10, 17-10, and 21-35 without prejudice.

REMARKE

Claims 1-10, 17-19, 21-35 and 33-41 wers bending. Claims 1-10, 17-19 and 21-35 stand rejected, and claims 38-41 have been 3 emed allowable.

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Claims 1-10, 17-19 and 21-35 are now canceled, without prejudice. Although Applicant reserves the right to present such claims in a continuation or divisional application, the rejection of these claims is now a pot for purposes of the instant application.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for noting that claims 38-41 are allowed, and respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance with respect to these claims.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Thank you for your consideration.

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